

THIS WEEK @SPLDECATUR

Sunday 4/28

9:15 am Education Classes

10:30 am Celebration of Confirmation (In Worship)

Monday 4/29

5:30 pm Movie Meet Up "War Room" (DPL Madden Auditorium)

Tuesday 4/30

8:00 am SPL Foundation Meeting (Conference Room)

3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)

6:15 pm Lay Ministry (Large Conference Room)

6:30 pm Cancer Companions (Family Room)

Wednesday 5/01

5:30 pm Spring F3 Dinner (Appetizer Buffet)

6:00 pm VBS Prep (Great Room/Warehouse)

6:30 pm Spring F3 Classes

Thursday 5/02

6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)

8:30 am LIFT (Living In Faith Together) Fellowship (Dining Rm)

3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)

5:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Adult Choir Potluck and Rehearsal (Dining Room)

Friday 5/03

Saturday 5/04

7:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL)

10:00 am Movie Meet Up "War Room" (DPL Madden Auditorium)

10:00 am AA Big Book Study (Room 122)

2:00 pm Movie Meet Up "War Room" (DPL Madden Auditorium)

3:30 pm Godly Play Door Person Training (Great Room)

4:00 pm Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm **Healing Service with Pastor Paul Teske**

Sunday 5/05 Message: "Dry Bones"

9:15 am Education Classes for all ages

9:15 am Mission: Texas Group Meeting

9:15 am Pastor's Class with Pastor Paul Teske

12:00 pm Lunch & Learn "Healing in the Church" (Pastor Teske)

Actual Giving Year to Date

\$ 700,707 as of 4/21

Budgeted Giving year to Date

\$ 686,875

2019 Annual Budget =
\$2,260,000

Year to Date Ahead =
\$13,832

WE WORSHIP...

Easter Sunday in Worship: 1266

Good Friday Attendance: 642

...BETTER TOGETHER!

OUR BELIEF: Receiving the Lord's Supper

The Apostle Paul wrote, "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." (1 Corinthians 11:28) In order to examine yourself before attending the Lord's Supper, when offered, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Do I believe I am a sinner, and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Jesus, by His death, offers me forgiveness for all my sins?
3. Do I believe I receive the body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and wine? (They are not merely symbolically present.)
4. Do I truly desire to turn from my sinful ways?

If you are able to answer "yes" to these questions, we invite you to join us for the Lord's Supper, when offered. Children and adults who cannot answer affirmatively are invited and encouraged to come forward for a blessing but should refrain from receiving the bread and wine.*

*For those who are unable, or prefer not to consume wine, cups with white grape juice are located in the center of the communion trays.

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10:30 AM WORSHIP

April 28, 2019

PASTOR ERIC TRICKEY

PASTOR MARK GEARIG

PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER

Then you will SHINE among them
like STARS in the sky
as you hold firmly to the WORD OF LIFE.

Philippians 2:15-16

Thought Before Worship

-- A.W. Tozer

"One hundred religious persons knit into a unity by careful organization do not constitute a church any more than eleven dead men make a football team. The first requisite is life, always."

Call to Worship

Ain't No Grave

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Praise and Procession

Build Your Kingdom Here

Invocation

Confession and Absolution of Sins

Father, there are times we forget who we are, even though You call us loved. There are times we forget what we are supposed to do, even though You tell us to love. There are times we forget what You have done for us. For all of our failures, we ask for forgiveness. Remind us again of who we are, remind us again of what You have done. Remind us again of what You have called us to do. Amen.

Vows of Confirmation (Confirmands Stand)

Words of Institution (All Stand)

Rite of Confirmation and Family Communion

Confirmands and their parents will be welcomed forward one at a time. All others may be seated during this time.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

If you have not communed with us before, please read "Our Belief: Receiving the Lord's Supper" located on the back page. We encourage families to commune together. Prayer Ministers will be at the back of the Worship Center to pray with you during this time.



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Congregational Communion O Come to the Altar
God You're So Good
What A Beautiful Name

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer
A handout with this week's prayers is available at the back of the Worship Center
for those who would like to continue to pray for these concerns.

Offering
Our offerings, gifts, and tithes are returned to Jesus in response to His sacrificial
love for us. During the Offering time, please complete one of the worship cards
found in the pew in front of you and pass it to the center aisle. Our staff will pray
over any items you include in the prayer portion located on the back of your card.
You Make Me Brave

Message "We Are the Church"
Pastor Bill Grueninger

Blessing
Closing Song God Is on the Move

COMING SOON - Get Ready for RED LETTER LIVING
Beginning May 11 & 12 in Worship and Daily Devotion

WE ARE THE CHURCH MESSAGE NOTES

Series of horizontal lines for message notes.

FAMILY AND FAITH CELEBRATION - CONFIRMATION
At our 10:30am worship service this weekend, we celebrate the
Confirmation of the following 8th grade youth with their families:
Bailey Jo Allen, Morgan Christina Allen, Nathan Colby Aubert,
Emma Frances Baker, Mara Lea Baker, Elizabeth Ann Cearlock,
Ashton Kenneth Cope, Jordan Taylor Dahn, Weston Thomas
Grohne, Alaina Ann Grossman, Demi Ann Harjung, Corbin
James Hawkins, Cordelia Danielle Henkel, Madison Rose Hub-
ner, Evan Dean Jones, Keeley Ryan Keane, Ian Richard Kelm,
William Thomas Klebe, Anthony James Massey, Whitlee Jane
Miloser, Aidan Joseph Mize, Julia Renae Mize, Allison Nicole
Moma, Savanna Marie Moody, Jonah Gordon Hicklin Nolen,
Konnor Gabriel Osborn, Kyle Bruce Reiterman, Torrie Alexis
Schaulbert, Aquarion Laron Shelby, Cooper Raymond Steiling,
Avaleena Marie Stewart, Austin Charles Stoner, Benjamin Cranz
Suckow, Lauren Olivia VanZant, and Chloe Renee Witt.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration
of the Affirmation of Faith made this weekend by our Confirmands.

F3: Family-Faith-Formation Thru May 15
JOIN US for this short Spring Session on Wednesdays at 6:30pm (thru 5/15). Dinner
served at 5:30pm weekly. A variety of classes & serve opportunities are available.

HEALING with Pastor Paul Teske May 4 & 5
Are you in need of healing from physical, mental, or relational brokenness? All are
welcome to experience a special worship service focused on healing with LCMS Pas-
tor Paul Teske on Saturday, May 4 at 6:00pm (Praise & Worship, Message, Healing
Prayer). He will also be our guest for Pastor's Class on Sunday 5/5 at 9:15am.

Lunch & Learn - "Healing for Today": A historical perspective and current day applica-
tion of healing in the Church with Pastor Teske, Sunday 5/5 at 12:00pm. If interested,
please contact Sarah in the Church Office at 217-423-6955 to reserve your spot.

MOVIE MEET UP "WAR ROOM" April 29 & May 4
Sponsored by SPL Women & Decatur Public Library. All are welcome to come and
connect in viewing and conversation around the "War Room" movie (April 29 at
5:30pm, May 4th at 10am & 2pm) in Madden Auditorium at DPL.

SPL ADULTS

SPL WOMEN
Call Sarah Johnson at 217-423-6955 to reserve your spot for these studies!
MONDAYS at 6:00pm (Dining Room) led by Alissa Henkel (Childcare available).
New study "Fervent: A Woman's Battle to Serious, Specific & Strategic Prayer"
(Priscilla Shirer) STARTS 5/13 (Materials \$15)
TUESDAYS 10:30am (Family Room) led by Maryel Nelson. New study "Breathe"
(Priscilla Shirer) STARTS 5/14 (Guide \$11)
LIFT (Living In Faith Together) Fellowship: Thursday, May 2 (8:30-10am Dining Rm)
FRIENDS IN FAITH SALAD SUPPER: Thursday, May 9th, Sign up in Fellowship Area

SPL ManUP MEN'S MINISTRY
MEN'S GROUP STUDY: Weekly on Saturday mornings at 7:00am [The Loft]
BIBLE STUDY: Men's Bible Study weekly Thursdays at 6:30am [Conference Rm]

SPL KIDS

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Worship: Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning (During Message Time):
Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), 3 years-K (Rm 206), 1st-4th grade (Great Rm)
5th-6th Junior Leaders will leave with children (must have attended training)
Sunday Education (9:15am): PreK-K (Room 206), Gr. 1-4 (Room 213), Gr. 5-6
(Room 211); BUILDING BLOCKS-Parents/Caretakers/Children 0-3yrs (Rm 203)
VBS 2019 "ROAR" (June 10-14): Registration for Serve Team & Participants
begins May 4th! Support VBS by donating items - needs posted at VBS table.

SPL YOUTH

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All Youth Gr. 7 - 12 Welcome: Sunday Mornings at 9:15am [Meets in The Loft]
SPL Youth Dine with us on Wednesday Night @The Loft (before worship weekly)
Junior/Senior High LoftTime: Tuesdays/Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm [The Loft]
Next LCMS Youth Gathering Meeting: No April Meeting - Resume in May
DINNER TIME: Dine at Buffalo Wild Wings for LCMS Youth Gathering - May 6th
5-9pm Get your flyer today at the Connection Center (or in the Facebook event).

LSA & ELC

LUTHERAN SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
SPRING CONCERT: LSA K-6 Spring Concert Sunday, May 5th at 3:00pm
CAMP INVENTION: A high-energy, hands-on STEM camp happening at LSA
June 3-7 (9:00am-3:30pm). Register at invent.org/camp or 800-968-4332

ST. PAUL'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER
ELC SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR: Happening May 7th-13th (ELC Lobby Area)
ELC Preschool Graduation: Thursday, May 9th at 6:30pm (Worship Center)
CAMP ELC: Camp based Summer School Age Program - Sign up today for summer fun!
NOW HIRING: Seeking qualified Teachers - Call 217-424-9183 to inquire and apply.

"...holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain." Philippians 2:16
WEEKLY CHALLENGE: Name a struggle you may have in the future and a promise from scripture that you can hold on to.
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